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Applicant: Masaomi TAKAGI et al.
Title: ALUMINUM HOLLOW BENT
MEMBER AND VEHICULAR
MEMBER CONSTRUCTION
Appl. No.: 09/826,804
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Examiner: E. Culbreth
Art Unit: 3616

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated February 12, 2004,
concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Please amend the application as follows:

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Conclusion

Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance, and favorable reconsideration is requested.

If Applicants have not accounted for any fees required by this Amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If Applicants have not accounted for a required extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, that extension is requested and the corresponding fee should be charged to our Deposit Account.

Examiner Culbreth is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

Date June 14, 2004

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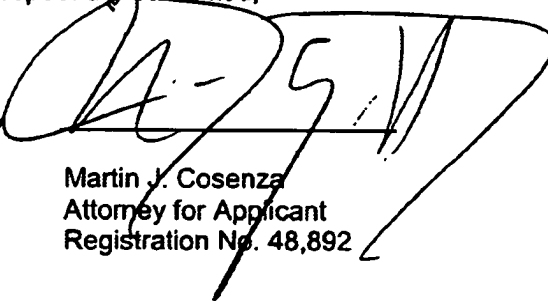
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